

Before The  
Surface Transportation Board

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STB Finance Docket No. 34672

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UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY  
-- ACQUISITION AND OPERATION EXEMPTION --  
LINE OF THE BURLINGTON NORTHERN  
AND SANTA FE RAILWAY COMPANY

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ENVIRONMENTAL COMMENT

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159 Bluebird Lane  
Chaffee, Missouri 63740  
July 31, 2006

The Honorable Vernon A. Williams  
Secretary  
The Surface Transportation Board  
1925 K Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C 20423-0001

**Re: Notice Finance Docket No. 34672; Union Pacific Railroad Company –  
Acquisition and Operation Exemption – Line of the Burlington Northern and Santa Fe  
Railway Company**

Attached is a petition (2 of 3) to the STB signed by 210 individuals who would be very adversely and irreparably affected if the STB approves Union Pacific's Petition for Acquisition and Operation Exemption of the line of the Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company between Rockview and Sikeston, Missouri. For all three petitions submitted today there is a total of 747 individuals who signed the petitions.

The petition states: **“We, the undersigned, petition the STB to reject Union Pacific's exemption request for acquiring the BNSF track between Rockview, Mo. and Sikeston, Mo. and for the STB to instead recommend the alternative of UP double tracking its existing route between Rockview, Mo. and Dexter, Mo. We also ask that an Environmental Impact Statement be required, not simply an Environmental Assessment. If UP's exemption is granted, the increased traffic and resulting increased blockages of our crossings would have a detrimental effect on our safety and health, as it may result in blockage of the crossing when emergency entry or exit is needed.”**

In the filing by Union Pacific Railroad Company, Union Pacific requested that the Surface Transportation Board exempt UPRR's proposed acquisition and operation of the BNSF line from Rockview, Missouri to Sikeston, Missouri from 49 U.S.C. 11323 pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 10502. UPRR states: “Under 49 U.S.C. 10502, however, this acquisition should be exempt from regulation. UPRR's acquisition of the Line will

promote several elements of the rail transportation policy of 49 U.S.C. without running afoul of any.” Later in the filing, UPRR again states that “The acquisition will promote significant provisions of the rail transportation policy and will not run counter to any goals of this policy.”

**49 U.S.C. 10502 states “...the Board, to the maximum extent consistent with this part, shall exempt a person, class of persons, or a transaction or service whenever the Board finds that the application in whole or in part of a provision of this part -**  
**(1) is not necessary to carry out the transportation policy of**  
**section 10101 of this title;**

**Sec. 10101 states “Rail transportation policy**

**In regulating the railroad industry, it is the policy of the**  
**United States Government –**

**(8) to operate transportation facilities and equipment without**  
**detriment to the public health and safety;”**

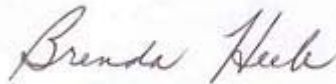
Union Pacific Railroad Company left out of their filing application any mention of this policy 10101(8). If UPRR receives approval for this acquisition, it will be to the detriment of the public health and safety of people along the proposed acquisition .

The health and safety of the people who signed the attached petition will be detrimentally affected by this acquisition. The increased train traffic would make it more likely that a railroad crossing would be blocked should the need arise for police, ambulance, or fire emergency vehicles to go over a crossing. The increased train traffic would also make it more likely that a crossing would be blocked if a person or persons needed to get across a crossing in an emergency.

Attached are the petitions for 210 people who signed this petition.

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Brenda Heeb", is centered on the page. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Brenda Heeb

## APPENDIX

Petition to the STB signed by 210 individuals



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Rodger seyer	Rodger Seyer	324 W PARKER Chaffee MO 63740
STEVE SEYER	Steve Seyer	124 DAME CHAFFEE MO
Clark Cassou	Clark Cassou	3359 St Hwy m Chaffee Mo
Acky Cassou	Acky Cassou	3359 State Hwy m Chaffee, mo 63740
JOANN BRUCKER	Joann Brucker	115 Elliott Chaffee mo. 63740
Clyde Malony	Clyde Malony	2442 My. P Chaffee, Mo
Tom Eftink	Tom Eftink	9961 St Hwy 77 Chaffee MO 63740



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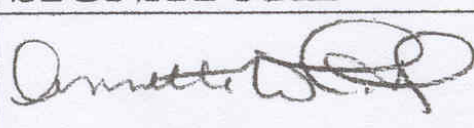
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Bob R. Wachter	Bob R. Wachter	109 W. Yorkum Chaffee, Mo
ORILLA POBST	Orilla Pobst	68 Co Hwy Co. Chaffee, Mo
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Emily Freeland	Emily Freeland	Chaffee MO 906 S. Main 63740
Diane Estink	Diane Estink	11753 State Hwy. 77 Chaffee, Mo. 63740
Marilyn Koch	Marilyn Koch	744 CO RD 220 Chaffee mo 63740
John Schott	John Schott	122 Danden Chaffee Mo 63740
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Pat Whistler	Pat Whistler	613 Sheridan Dr Chaffee, MO 63740
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Nancy J. Glueck	Nancy Glueck	1204 County Road 244 Chaffee, MO 63740
Jan Farrar	Jan Farrar	4886 St. Hwy A Gordonville, MO 63701
DAVID GLUECK	David Glueck	368 Co Hwy 229 CHAFFEE
Marie Elfrink	Marie Elfrink	425 Cook Chaffee MO
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JEANNIE CHAPMAN	Jeanie Chapman	337 E. DAVIDSON CHAFFEE, Mo
NAOMI LAUCK	Naomi Lauck	337 E. Davidson Chaffee, Mo.
MARY TRIPP	Mary P. Tripp	1630 Luce St, Cape Girardeau, Mo
DONALD TRIPP		1630 Luce St, Cape Girardeau MO 63740
Glenda Hinkbein	Glenda Hinkbein	1749 C.R. 244 Chaffee, Mo.
Marilyn Mott	Marilyn Mott	118 Heeb St Chaffee, Mo. 63740
Darlene Vondevan	Darlene Vandevan	278 County Rd 220 Chaffee MO 63740
Adam Cim	Adam Cim	366 E York Run Chaffee MO 63740
Glenda Griggs	Glenda Griggs	305 E York Run



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Susan Haney	Susan Haney	1601 N Frisco St Chaffee, Mo 63740
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Diane Flesher	Diane Flesher	1524 Amblerwood Dr. Cape Girardeau, MO. 63701
Edward Haney	Edward Haney	1609 N. Frisco Chaffee, Mo 63740
Tyler Haney	Tyler Haney	1609 N. Frisco Chaffee, MO 63740
Alex Heeb	Alex Heeb	158 Bluebird LN, Chaffee MO, 63740
Jacob Heeb	Jacob Heeb	159 Bluebird Lane Chaffee
Phyllis Bollinger	Phyllis Bollinger	Saxony Village #337 Cape Girardeau, 63701
BRENDA BLUVINS	Brenda Bluvins	911 South St New Madrid, MO 63869



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Steven G Glueck	<i>Steven Glueck</i>	24 Hidden Lake Rd Chaffee MO 63710
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Mrs A. M.	<i>Essner</i>	1025 St Hwy 77 Chaffee Mo. 63740
Kim Glasstetter	<i>Kimberly Glasstetter</i>	Benton, Mo
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LARRY PIGG	<i>Larry Pigg</i>	ROCK VIEW
Margaret Kripter	<i>Margaret Kripter</i>	Rockview
Kevin Kripter	<i>Kevin Kripter</i>	Rockview
Raymond Kripter	<i>Raymond Kripter</i>	Rockview
Debbie Flanigan	<i>Debbie Flanigan</i>	Chaffee
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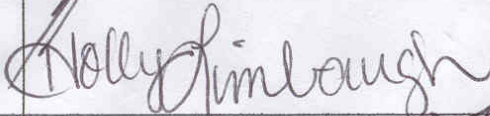
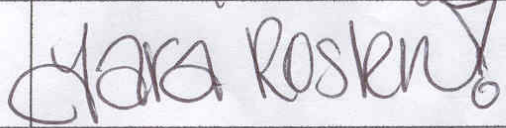
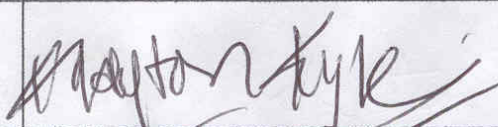

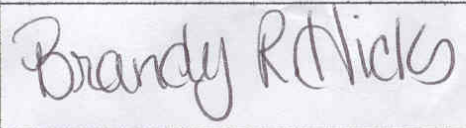
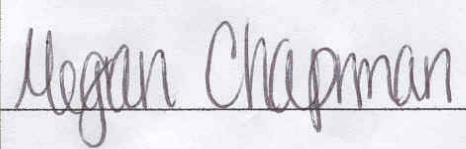
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Erma Waggoner	Erma Waggoner	605 Wright St Oran, mo. 63771
Nancy Abernathy	Nancy Abernathy	2178 Hwy W Oran, MO 63771
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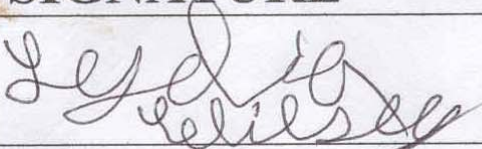
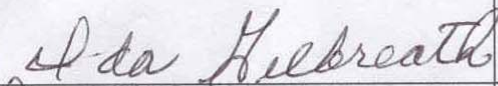

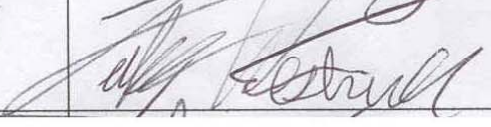
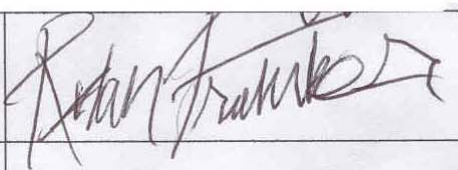
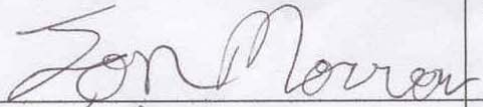
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